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RE: Lime Materials Clarification
Of November 27, 1981, Memo
Sunshine Mining Company
Burgin Project
ACT/049/009
Utah County, Utah

Dear Bill:

This letter is intended to inform you of the progress made in addressing the lime problem and to clarify a statement in a November 27, 1981, memo.

Today, February 5, 1982, I contacted the Soil Conservation Service through Utah State University Extension Office in Utah County. I inquired as to what had been done pursuant to my request of January 15, 1982, and subsequent I was informed that a response would be supplied by them prior to the middle of the week of February 7, 1982.

Since we discussed the benefits of early lime application during our December 30, 1981, conversation, I felt it would be best to wait until we had this information before staking the plots so we could accomplish these things simultaneously.

Also, I wish to clarify my statement regarding the request for a variance under M-10(12) in the November 27, 1981, memo. It should read: "this approach will demonstrate if attaining revegetation standards is possible on this waste rock pile through the use of practical land treatments."

I hope this has been of some help and that we may resolve the lime matter in the near future. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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